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16 September 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, United States Intelligence Board

Subject: Release to NATO of Information on Bloc
Military Trends (C)

Enclosure: Proposed Memorandum to United States Member,
Standing Group Intelligence Committee, NATO

1. The U. S. Representative, Standing Group, NATO, has levied an informal request on J-2 for an estimate of future Soviet force structure and strength for use in assessing NATO force requirements for the period 1962-1966.

2. The release to NATO of recent estimates on Soviet military trends will provide a more accurate assessment of the threat from the Bloc than is now available to the Standing Group. A summary of estimated strengths of Soviet Armed Forces such as is contained in Table 1, ("Table of Estimated Personnel Strengths of Soviet Armed Forces") of Annex "B", NIE 11-4-60 is included, being considered of particular value to NATO in view of Soviet force reductions. Strength data on the remainder of the military forces of the Soviet Bloc, as contained in Table 2 of Annex "B", is also considered to be useful to NATO.

3. The information contained in Table 1 of Annex "B", NIE 11-4-60, has already been released to the United Kingdom, Canada, France and West Germany.

4. It is requested that the United States Intelligence Board approve the release to NATO through the U. S. Member, Standing Group Intelligence Committee, of certain information derived from NIE 11-4-60 as set forth in the Enclosure.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: ~~1. The Director~~
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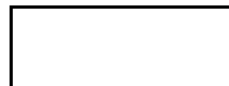
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